

SECTION 15. Section 1302.509, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1302.509. **LIMITATIONS ON *TECHNICIAN* [REGISTRANT]**. A person registered or *certified* under this subchapter may not:

(1) perform, offer to perform, or attempt to perform an act that is:

(A) defined as the practice of engineering under Chapter 1001, unless the person holds a license under that chapter;

(B) regulated under Chapter 113, Natural Resources Code, unless the person holds a license under that chapter or is exempt by a rule adopted under that chapter; or

(C) defined as plumbing under Chapter 1301, unless the person holds a license under that chapter; or

(2) assist a person who is not a licensed air conditioning and refrigeration contractor in the performance of air conditioning and refrigeration maintenance work.

SECTION 16. Sections 1302.262(c) and 1302.508, Occupations Code, are repealed.

SECTION 17. Not later than April 1, 2018, the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation shall adopt rules implementing Chapter 1302, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act.

SECTION 18. (a) The changes in law made by this Act to Subchapter K, Chapter 1302, Occupations Code, apply only to an application for a technician certification submitted to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation on or after September 1, 2018. An application for a technician certification submitted before that date is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

(b) The repeal by this Act of Section 1302.508, Occupations Code, does not affect the validity of a certification issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation before September 1, 2018, and the former law is continued in effect for the purpose of that certification.

SECTION 19. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 4, 2017: Yeas 142, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3029 on May 26, 2017: Yeas 137, Nays 8, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 24, 2017: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Approved June 15, 2017.

Effective September 1, 2017.

DESIGNATING JULY 7 AS FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER DAY

CHAPTER 881

H.B. No. 3042

AN ACT

relating to designating July 7 as Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Day.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.066 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.066. **FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER DAY.** (a) July 7 is Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Day in recognition of the ultimate sacrifice made by Texas law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

(b) Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Day shall be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on April 26, 2017: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 15, 2017.

Effective June 15, 2017.

**AN ELECTION TO REDUCE OR INCREASE THE SALES AND
USE TAX RATE IMPOSED BY A MUNICIPALITY FOR THE
BENEFIT OF A TYPE B DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

CHAPTER 882

H.B. No. 3045

AN ACT

relating to an election to reduce or increase the sales and use tax rate imposed by a municipality for the benefit of a Type B development corporation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 505, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 505.2566 to read as follows:

Sec. 505.2566. ELECTION TO REDUCE OR INCREASE TAX RATE. (a) An authorizing municipality that has imposed a sales and use tax under this chapter may, in the same manner and by the same procedure as the municipality imposed the tax, reduce or increase the tax rate by a majority of the voters of the municipality voting at an election held for that purpose.

(b) On petition of 10 percent or more of the registered voters of the authorizing municipality requesting an election to reduce or increase the tax rate under this chapter, the governing body of the municipality shall order an election on the issue.

(c) The tax rate may be reduced or increased to any rate that is an increment of one-eighth of one percent, that the authorizing municipality determines is appropriate, and that would not result in a combined rate that exceeds the maximum combined rate prescribed by Section 505.256(a).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 9, 2017: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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